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A PERSONAL NOTE: I knew it would happen one day. While going through all issues of Hello Again, I found I was missing 3 issues. If any of my readers can send me a copy of any or all of the three issues, I would very much appreciate it; Vol 2 # 12, Vol 5 # 12, Vol 6 # 10...

RADIO IS ALIVE AND WELL: Topps has put out sets of Shadow Cards in conjunction with the movie. Each set contains one Shadow legend card designed by Anthony Tollin. This shadow legend card contains the picture of a radio star such as Margot Stevenson, Bret Morrison or Orson Welles...The California Artists Radio Theater recently performed the first of a series of radio plays. They are performed at the Radisson Hollywood Roosevelt's Cinegrill, 7000 Hollywood Blvd., on the second Wednesday and Saturday of each month until September. Their first performance, which was also broadcast on KPCC (89.3 FM) was Alice in Wonderland. Peggy Webber directs the group and the story starred Roddy McDowell, Jeanette Nolan, Parley Baer, Norman Lloyd, Samantha Eggar, John Astin and William Windom. Ray Erlenborn supplied the sound effects. For reservations call (213) 683-3422.

ULTIMATE LOG: Copies are still available for \$52. The cost includes the first supplement and P & H. The first supplement alone is available for \$9.50. That also includes P & H.

CONVENTION 1994:

Friends of Old-Time Radio Script Contest

The first annual original script writing contest is now open. We would like an original 30 minute script which must be based on any of the great radio programs of the past, such as The Shadow, Jack Benny, etc.

The script can have the characters originating in their original era and time or you can update the time to today. The script must have all music and sound cues as well as all the spoken material. Try to arrange it in script form so it doesn't have to be retyped.

The prize for the best script will be \$150 and will have its live performance at our convention on Thursday evening after dinner (October 20th, 1994). We would like you to attend our convention to participate but it is not mandatory. You can direct it if you wish. There will be some rehearsal time. Scripts must be submitted by September 3, 1994. Send to Dave Zwengler, 6 Lake Ave. #5B, East Brunswick, NJ 08816. A distinguished panel of old-time radio buffs will pick the winning script. They must be very readable. All are eligible so please spread the word.

So far we have received several scripts.

Will all clubs with newsletters print the above in order to give everyone a chance?

PUBLICATIONS RECEIVED: Radio Recall, May - Jun; 10th anniversary issue with details of the first 10 years of the Metro Washington OTR Club; also articles on newscasters...Eddie Cantor Appreciation Society, May; June, more Eddie Cantor information and articles...RLL On the Air, June, articles on Dinah Shore; Metro Golden Memories, a shop selling vintage material in Chicago...SPERDVAC Radiogram, May, more information on the performances of California Artists Radio Theater. Peggy Webber is in charge of this active group...Jun; Articles on Henry Morgan...Illustrated Press, June; Article on Sam Spade...July; articles on The Shadow, Frances Langford and Country and Western music on early radio.. Rem-

inisce, Box 998, Greendale, WI 53129. This bimonthly magazine covers all areas of "The Good Old Days." Cost is \$16.98 for one year...**Daily Sentinel**, Jul – Aug; articles on Henry Morgan; movies which developed radio programs; summer replacements...**NARA News**, Late Spring; article on D-Day as reported on radio...**Tune In**, July; articles on The Witch's Tales, The Shadow, Hall of Fantasy...**Return With Us Now**, July; reprint of article on Fibber McGee and Molly...**Thrilling Days of Yesteryear**, Jul – Aug; articles on sports casting, Information Please, Fred Foy...**Nostalgia Digest**, Aug – Sep; articles on Meredith Willson; Big Bands Live from Reader's Digest...**Past Times**, Spring; reviews of books and recordings of the Performing Arts.

BOOKS: As many of you know, Greenwood Publishing Group has published many bibliographies in the performing arts. James Robert Parish is the series editor. About 50 have been published. For a list or to order call 1-800-225-5800. Several I recently received were **Montgomery Clift** by Mary C. Kalfatovic, \$55; **Audrey Hepburn** by David Hofstede, \$45; **Harold Lloyd** by Annette M. D'Agostino, \$59.95 ...**Roscoe "Fatty" Arbuckle** by Robert Young, Jr...**Straighten Up and Fly Right: A Chronology and Discography of Nat "King" Cole** by Klaus Teubig...**James Robert Parish** is working on the history of "Murder She Wrote" and "Child Stars: From Glory Days to Trouble Time." ...A book to be published in July is **Norman Corwin's Letters** edited by A. J. Langguth. This is a 500-page book containing a collection of opinions, fancies, advocacies and anecdotes from the person whom many people consider to be the world's foremost writer in the Golden Age of radio. This book is offered by Barricade Books, 61 4th Ave., New York, NY 10003 (212) 228-8828. Cost is \$25...also offered by Barricade Books is **Here's Morgan** by Henry Morgan. This is the outrageous life of Henry Morgan which could only be told by Henry Morgan. Cost for this 32-page book is \$22...Gordon Kelley who is a regular member of our convention has just written **Sherlock Holmes Screen and Sound Guide**, Scarecrow Press, Box 4167, Metuchen, NJ 08840; 317 pages; \$39.95. This book, according to R. Joel Senter, is extremely thorough and well worth the cost. It covers all aspects of Sherlock Holmes including Silent movies, all sound movies, television around the world and all OTR broadcasts...Arthur Anderson's long awaited book, **Let's Pretend**, has recently been published by McFarland & Company, Box 611, Jefferson, NC 28640 (910) 246-4460. It contains 220 pages of all the information about the program and the stars, including where they are now. Arthur gives an insiders view as he was on the show from 1936 through 1954. Cost is \$32.50

CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS: The **Blue Ridge Radio Players** are offering copies of their radio drams to the visually handicapped. For details about this group and for receiving copies write B R R P, Box 933, Hendersonville, NC 28793.

The National Broadcasters Hall of Fame, relocated at Anaheim Stadium, Anaheim, California has an opening planned for October first. On October 15 inductee ceremonies will be held in the Grand Ballroom of the Disneyland Hotel. Honorees are Walter Cronkite, Fred Friendly, Larry King, Robert W. Morgan, Gary Owens. A Lifetime achievement award will be given to Ted Turner. All are invited. For more information contact Art Schreiber at (908) 294-7106

LOGS: Several more logs sent by Ellen Robinson based on Ray Stanich's information: **Rogue's Gallery**: \$.50...**Crime Club** (Partial): \$.50...**Adventures of Philip Marlowe** (Partial): \$.50...**Mr. and Mrs. North** (Sketchy): \$.50...**Murder By Experts** (Most): \$.50...**Molle Mystery Theater** (Complete) (9/7/43 – 6/19/51) Also includes most of **Hearthstone of the Death Squad** and **Mark Sabre** (sketchy): \$3.50.

CATALOGS AND NEW SHOWS: John Eccles, Jr. tells me that Simon and Schuster have a new Sherlock Holmes out (1/27/47)...**Radio Vault**, Box 375, Sparta, MI 49345 has the complete Days of D-Day, June 6 – 7, 1944 on CBS. All programs on between 8:30 am on

June 6 through 4:45 pm on June 7 are covered...**Robert Axley**, 4940 Bal Harbor Dr., Chattanooga, TN 37416 has what may be the first Mr. and Mrs. North starring Peggy Conklin and Carl Eastman...**Ron Barnett (Echoes of the Past)**, Box 9593, Alexandria, VA 22304 has all 82 episodes of Quiet Please on reels and cassettes. He has a log of the series available for a SASE...**John Barber**, Box 70711, New Orleans, LA 70172 is offering 4 shadow scripts and 30 shadow OTR shows on cassette...**John Cooper**, Rt 1 Box 371, Clarksburg, WV 26301 has supplement out (Cassettes numbered 506 – 603); a wide variety of shows...**Don Brush**, 11232 Rampart Ln., Port Richey, FL 34663 is rebuilding his collection after losing a large part of it in the floods two years ago. Don started collecting in the 1960's and has programs not readily available. Write him if you would like to trade.

NEW ADDRESSES: **Clyde Benge**, 6736 Russellville Rd., Franktown, CO 80116...**Tom Kleinschmidt**, 529 Cleardale Ave., Ewing, NJ 08618...**Lora Palmer**, 24 Guernsey Rd., Bloomfield, CT 06002

NEW FRIENDS AND RETURNEES: **Lee Levan**, 1525 Dauphin Ave., Whomissing, PA 19610....**Kimberly Lake Santori**, 226 Dennis Dr., Clovis, CA 93612 is looking for any information about and OTR programs with her grandfather, Arthur Lake and her Great Grandmother, Marion Davies...**Art and Mary Ann Schoendorff**, 42550 Park Ridge, Novi, MI 48375...**Michael Giorgio**, 2014 S 133 Ave., Omaha, NE 68144...**Clifford Snales, Jr.**, 8 Daniel Blvd., Bloomfield, CT 06002 would like cassette copies of the Lone Ranger "El Munio" and "The Barbary Coast." He would prefer correspondence by cassette...**John Barker**, 300 walnut St. #605, Ridley Park, PA 19078...**Evelyn Walbrum**, Capri "I" 419, Delray Beach, FL 33484 is looking for a show performed on WNYC in New York about 35 years ago. It was a daytime interview program, the interviewer was a woman and person she was interviewing was a man who had just written a book based on his personal experiences of being a runaway from an orphanage, going to jail and learning the tricks of the trade of being a thief...**Bob Koch**, Box 83, Grand Island, NY 14072 was on several of the episodes of True Legal Dramas. If you have more than 12 episodes, please contact Bob. He only has 12 of the 26 episodes broadcast...**Philip Jacob**, 9952 Montour St., Philadelphia, PA 19115...**Luther Sies**, 101 West 23 St., New York, NY 10011...**Julie Sacks**, Lennon Documentary Group, 2nd Floor, 255 West 26th St. New York, NY 10001. Julie is currently working on a documentary for the public television series **The American Experience**. The program will look at the lives of Orson Welles and William Randolph Hearst. Julie is trying to locate people who were involved with CBS management during the War of the Worlds broadcast and who heard and believed this broadcast...**Scott Hammaker**, Box 160458, Nashville, TN 37216 is a graphic designer and would like to trade some OTR design work for some tapes.

OLD FRIENDS: **Darwin Mauer**, 315 Market St., Perkasie, PA 18944 still looking for shows with John Charles Thomas...**Frank Bresee**, 8282 Hollywood Blvd., Hollywood, CA 90069 is looking for the address of Rex Miller...**Lee Munsick**, 20 Harriet Dr., Whippany, NJ 07981 is looking for the sheet music to the two themes of The Voice of Firestone; "In My Garden" and "If I Could Tell You." ...**Francis Rylance**, 1088A Chiefs Dr., Robins AFB, GA 31098 is looking for Clip Art pictures of radios; also wants radio advertising items with radio station name and logo on them such as mugs, buttons, pins. Let Francis know the price...**Bob Burnham** mentions that soon WCAR (1090 AM) will offer OTR on Saturday and Sunday nights from 10 – 11 pm hosted by Bob. Also CKWW (580 AM) will have OTR Monday through Fridays at 9 pm. These stations are in the metro Detroit area.

IN FOND MEMORY: **Ish Kabibble (Merwyn Bogue)**, June 5, 86; associated with Kay Kyser from 1931 – 1951...**Barry Sullivan**, June 6, 81; rugged actor (The Unexpected, Rogue's Gallery and The Saint)...**Herva Nelli**, May 31, 85; soprano, connected with Arturo

Toscanini's NBC symphony for seven years...**Jerry Devine**, May 20, 85; producer-director of This is Your FBI...**Lew Lauria**, May 10, 89; actor in several films and a script writer and actor on radio. Lew also established the National Radio Artists Directory...**G. William Marshall**, Jun 8, 76; actor and producer; also singer with Fred Waring Orchestra...**Robert E. Lee**, Jul 8, 75 (Los Angeles); playwright; co-founder with Jerome Lawrence of the Armed Forces Radio Service...**Dorothy Collins**, July 21, 67. Dorothy Collins is best known for her work on the TV version of Your Hit Parade...**Ron Rawson**, Jul 18, 76; theater and concert producer; announcer on radio (Hour of Charm, Mr. and Mrs. North, Can You Top This)...**Charles Woolf**, Jun 18, 67; actor including radio.

Write if you get work; and hang by your thumbs

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